

California Industries with the Highest Number of Reported Cases of Lead Poisoning

Workers reported with blood lead levels (BLLs) 25 µg/dL or greater, California, 2001 – 2003

SIC Code* and Description	Specific lead-using activities	# of Workers
3691 Storage Batteries	Manufacturing lead storage batteries	352
1721 Painting and paperhanging	Disturbing lead-based paint on older homes or structures	202
1629 Heavy construction	Cutting and welding lead-painted structural steel	114
7539 Automotive repair	Radiator repair using lead solder	102
3341 Secondary smelting, nonferrous metals	Primarily recycling lead batteries	97
3366 Copper foundries	Making products from lead-containing brass and bronze	46
5093 Scrap and waste materials	Cutting lead-coated waste metal	37
7999 Firing Ranges	Work on indoor ranges where lead-containing ammunition is used	35
3444 Sheet metal work	Lead soldering and manufacture of lead-containing flashing	28
1799 Special trade contractors	Lead abatement contractors	28

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### For more information:

[Reports for Blood Lead Levels drawn in California, 01/01/03 - 12/31/03](#) - number of blood lead level tests, number of individuals tested, and distribution of test results by blood lead level

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\*Standard Industrial Classification Code